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| THE REPLY FILED 03 October 2003 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE. Therefore, further action by the applicant is required to avoid abandonment of this application. A proper reply to a final rejection under 37 CFR 1.113 may only be either: (1) a timely filed amendment which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a timely filed Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee); or (3) a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. | | | | | | |
| PERIOD FOR REPLY [check either a) or b)] | | | | | | |
| a) \square The period for reply expires $\underline{3}$ months from the mailing date of the final rejection. | | | | | | |
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| fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 C | of extension and the corresponding amo the shortened statutory period for reply be later than three months after the mail | unt of the fee. The appropriate extension originally set in the final Office action; or | | | | |
| 1. A Notice of Appeal was filed on Appellant's Brief must be filed within the period set forth in 37 CFR 1.192(a), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 1.191(d)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. | | | | | | |
| 2. The proposed amendment(s) will not be entered because: | | | | | | |
| (a) ☑ they raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below); | | | | | | |
| (b) ☐ they raise the issue of new matter (see Note below); | | | | | | |
| (c) they are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or | | | | | | |
| (d) they present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims. | | | | | | |
| NOTE: See Continuation Sheet. | | | | | | |
| 3. Applicant's reply has overcome the following reject | ion(s): | | | | | |
| 4. Newly proposed or amended claim(s) would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s). | | | | | | |
| 5. The a) affidavit, b) exhibit, or c) request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: | | | | | | |
| 6. The affidavit or exhibit will NOT be considered becaraised by the Examiner in the final rejection. | ause it is not directed SOLELY to | o issues which were newly | | | | |
| 7. For purposes of Appeal, the proposed amendment(s) a) will not be entered or b) will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended. | | | | | | |
| The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows: | | | | | | |
| Claim(s) allowed: | | | | | | |
| Claim(s) objected to: <u>64 and 75-77</u> . | | | | | | |
| Claim(s) rejected: <u>60-63,65-74 and 78-81</u> . | | | | | | |
| Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: | | | | | | |
| 8. The proposed drawing correction filed on is a) approved or b) disapproved by the Examiner. | | | | | | |
| 9. Note the attached Information Disclosure Statement(s)(PTO-1449) Paper No(s) | | | | | | |
| 10.⊠ Other: <u>See Continuation Sheet</u> | | () () () () () () () () | | | | |
| | | Primary Examiner Art Unit: 1616 | | | | |

Continuation of 2. NOTE: Applicant has amended the claims which would require additional searching and consideration to determine if the claims are distinguished over the art and no double patenting issues exist. Also, it is duly noted that Applicant has not addressed the current double patenting rejections of record..

Continuation of 10. Other: A copy of all initialed PTO 1449 filed in the instant application are included with this application for Applicant's

the lined through documents on the PTO-1449 were not available for the Examiner to review.

Applicant is respectfully requested to resubmit the non-patented literature

for review.

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